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2050	100	2053	130	Non-English specification
1251	120	2251	80	Extension for reply within first month
1252	450	2252	225	Extension for reply within second month
1253	1,020	2253	510	Extension for reply within third month
1254	1,590	2254	705	Extension for reply within fourth month
1255	2,160	2255	1,080	Extension for reply within fifth month
1401	500	2401	260	Notice of Appeal
1402	800	2402	260	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
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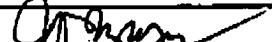
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of December 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.